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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SOUTHEAST ASIA SIGINT SUMMARY

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THIS REPORT SUMMARIZES DEVELOPMENTS NOTED THROUGHOUT SOUTHEAST ASIA AVAILABLE TO NSA AS OF 25 AUGUST 1975. INFORMATION IN THIS REPORT IS BASED ON SIGINT EXCEPT WHERE INDICATED. SITUATION SUMMARY NORTH VIETNAM IS REPORTEDLY ACQUIRING THREE SOVIET MERCHANT VESSELS DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER. PRISONERS, PROBABLY THOSE CAPTURED AT BAN ME THUOT IN APRIL, ARE BEING TRANSPORTED TO NORTH VIETNAM AND ARE TO BE TURNED OVER TO THE DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY LAW. IN CAMBODIA, THREE UNIDENTIFIED JOURNALISTS ARE BEING ALLOWED TO REPORT ON WORK MEETINGS, CONFERENCES AND STANDARDS OF LIVING. ALSO, CAMBODIAN FORCES HAVE SEIZED A NUMBER OF THAI FISHING VESSELS AND ARE DEMANDING THE SALE OF RICE FROM THAI MERCHANTS TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF THE VESSELS. THE DEMANDS CALL FOR ONE TON OF RICE PER HORSEPOWER OF EACH VESSEL AND THAI MERCHANTS HAVE REPORTEDLY AGREED TO MEET THE DEMANDS. ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ I. NORTH VIETNAM NORTH VIETNAM TO ACQUIRE THREE SOVIET VESSELS NORTH VIETNAM IS TO RECEIVE, PROBABLY AS A GIFT, THREE MERCHANT VESSELS FROM THE SOVIET UNION. ON 20 AUGUST, THE NORTH VIETNAMESE MACHINERY IMPORT-EXPORT CORPORATION (MACHINOIMPORT), HANOI, WAS ADVISED THAT A CONTRACT HAD BEEN SIGNED WITH THE SOVIET UNION FOR THE DELIVERY OF THREE DRY CARGO VESSELS TO NORTH VIETNAM. TWO OF THE VESSELS, THE TYMLAT (1179GT,CG) AND THE TURKESTAN (3358GT,CG), ARE SCHEDULED TO BE DELIVERED IN SEPTEMBER. THE THIRD VESSEL, THE ENL'VA (1157GT,CG), IS SCHEDULED TO TRANSPORT CARGO FROM THE BLACK SEA TO HAIPHONG DURING OCTOBER, AND WILL PROBABLY BE DELIVERED UPON COMPLETION OF DISCHARGE OPERATIONS AT HAIPHONG. (X/00/9466-75 [] 221525Z AUG) ~~(SECRET MORAY)~~ II. AIR ACTIVITY TRANSPORTS 221700Z TO 231700Z AUGUST (ALL TIMES ZULU) DC-3/11 INTERAIRFIELD 0020-.... DA NANG-PLEIKU MI-6/2001 INTERAIRFIELD 0041-0315 TAN SON NHUT-DA NANG YAK-40/7442 INTERAIRFIELD 0042-0338 TAN SON NHUT-GIA LAM DC-4/47501 INTERAIRFIELD 0047-0255 TAN SON NHUT-DA NANG DC-4/47505 INTERAIRFIELD 0054-0241 GIA LAM-DA NANG C-47/394 INTERAIRFIELD 0155-0438 TAN SON NHUT-DA NANG DC-4/47505 INTERAIRFIELD 0315-0523 DA NANG-TAN SON NHUT DC-4/47501 INTERAIRFIELD 0330-0530 DA NANG-GIA LAM MI-6/2005 INTERAIRFIELD-0405 UNID-DA NANG C-47/394 INTERAIRFIELD 0515-0800 DA NANG-GIA LAM MI-6/2005 INTERAIRFIELD 0537-.... DA NANG-GIA LAM 211700Z TO 221700Z AUGUST DC-3/512 INTERAIRFIELD 0040-.... GIA LAM-DA NANG C-130/002 INTERAIRFIELD 0056-.... GIA LAM-UNID DC-4/47501 INTERAIRFIELD 0145-0330 KIEN AN-DA NANG DC-4/47502 INTERAIRFIELD 0214-.... GIA LAM-DA NANG C-130-002 INTERAIRFIELD 0245-.... KIEN AN-DA NANG DC-3/785 INTERAIRFIELD-0310 UNID-DA NANG C-47/620 INTERAIRFIELD-0319 UNID-DA NANG DC-3/785 INTERAIRFIELD 0325-.... DA NANG-UNID DC-4/47505 INTERAIRFIELD 0331-0538 TAN SON NHUT-DA NANG DC-4/47501 INTERAIRFIELD 0405-.... DA NANG-TAN SON NHUT C-47/620

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IV. GENERAL DIRECTORATE REAR SERVICES A. PERSONNEL MOVEMENTS NORTH VIETNAM GROUP 7067 WAS INITIALLY DETECTED IN A 17 AUGUST REPORT FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT IN QUANG TRACH DISTRICT, QUANG BINH PROVINCE, AND ADDRESSED TO LBN 647200 JC13, ASSOCIATED WITH THE 308TH DIVISION WHICH WAS LOCATED IN HA TINH PROVINCE IN EARLY AUGUST. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, GROUP 7067 WAS AT K40 (UNLOCATED), BOUND FOR MILITARY REGION 559 WHICH IS HEADQUARTERED NEAR CAM LO (1648N 10659E YD1259), AND APPARENTLY BEING TRANSPORTED BY THE POSSIBLE 967TH BATTALION. THE ORIGINATOR INDICATED THAT THERE WERE NO CONVALESCENCE GROUPS NORTH OF LY HOA (1738N 10630E XE6251) AND ONLY GROUP 7067 AT K40. ~~(SECRET SPOKE ISHTAR)~~ B. GENERAL DEVELOPMENTS U.S. PRISONERS WERE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN NORTH VIETNAM ON 21 AUGUST ACCORDING TO A REPORT ON THAT DATE FROM THE FORWARD ELEMENT OF GROUP 174. REPORTEDLY, ONE MR 559 VEHICLE TRANSPORTING "13 AMERICAN PRISONERS" AND SEVEN GUARDS WAS TO ARRIVE DURING THE DAY AT AN UNSPECIFIED LOCATION. THE 13 AMERICAN PRISONERS PROBABLY REFERS TO THE 14 AUGUST REPORT OF 13 FOREIGN PRISONERS, INCLUDING EIGHT AMERICANS, THAT WERE TO BE SENT TO HANOI FROM GROUP 470 AND TURNED OVER TO THE DIRECTORATE OF MILITARY LAW. THIS INFORMATION PLACES THE PRISONERS IN SOUTHERN NORTH VIETNAM ON THEIR WAY TO HANOI. (3/00/24905-75 [] 15 AUG) ~~(ISHTAR) (SECRET SPOKE ISHTAR)~~ V. CAMBODIA MILITARY SITUATION A. JOURNALISTS TO VISIT NORTHEAST CAMBODIA ACCORDING TO THE KC CENTRAL PARTY COMMITTEE ON 19 AUGUST, THREE UNIDENTIFIED JOURNALISTS WERE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT KOMPONG CHAM ON 21 AUGUST. THEY WILL TOUR THE AREA FOR A PERIOD OF 15 DAYS AND WILL BE PERMITTED TO REPORT ON COOPERATIVE WORK MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES. IN ADDITION, THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO QUESTION SOME OF THE "MORE QUALIFIED BROTHERN" ABOUT THE STANDARD OF LIVING IN THE AREA. (2/00/12599-75 CEY 222023Z AUG) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ B. KC REPORT ON PROBLEMS IN ODDAR MEAN CHEY KC REPORTS OF LATE AUGUST CONTINUE TO REFER TO SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES BY "SPIES" ALONG THE CAMBODIA/ODDAR MEAN CHEY - THAI BORDER. THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SPIES ARE REPORTEDLY COMPOUNDING THE KC PROBLEM OF ESTABLISHING FIRM CONTROL IN THE AREA. NUMEROUS KC REPORTS DISCLOSED THAT PEOPLE FROM SOMRAUNG AND AMPIL DISTRICTS WERE ATTEMPTING TO FLEE TO THAILAND. COUNTER ACTIONS BY THE KC CONSIST OF SEALING OFF ESCAPE CORRIDORS AND SEARCHING THE JUNGLES FOR SPIES WHO CONTINUE TO SURFACE AND ENCOURAGE THE POPULACE TO FLEE. (2/00/12584-75 CEY 221911Z AUG) ~~(SECRET SPOKE)~~ C. CAMBODIAN COMMUNISTS SEIZE THAI VESSELS IN THE FIRST SUCH ACTION IN RECENT WEEKS, CAMBODIAN FORCES HAVE SEIZED A NUMBER OF THAI FISHING VESSELS WHICH WERE OPERATING OFF THE COAST OF KOH KONG PROVINCE. ACCORDING TO WESTERN REGION AUTHORITIES, AT LEAST SIXTEEN CRAFTS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED SINCE 17 AUGUST AND CAMBODIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE

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DEMANDED THE SALE OF RICE BY THAI MERCHANTS IN ORDER TO SECURE THEIR RELEASE. THE TERMS OF THE CAMBODIAN DEMAND CALL FOR THE SALE OF ONE TON OF RICE FOR EACH HORSEPOWER OF THE CAPTURED VESSELS -- RANGING FROM 35 TO 180 HORSEPOWER. ACCORDING TO A CAMBODIAN REPORT OF 24 AUGUST, THAI MERCHANTS HAVE AGREED TO THIS DEMAND. WHEN INITIALLY INFORMED OF THE CAPTURE OF THE THAI VESSELS THE CAMBODIAN CENTRAL PARTY COMMITTEE INSTRUCTED THE REGION AUTHORITY TO RELEASE ANY OF THE VESSELS IDENTIFIED AS FISHING CRAFT. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO A REPORT OF 23 AUGUST, THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE HAS APPARENTLY REVERSED THAT INSTRUCTION AND TOLD THE REGIONAL AUTHORITY TO "HOLD THEM" AND TO "REPORT CONTINUALLY TO THE SUPERIORS FOR ANALYSIS." THE CONTINUING NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FOOD SUPPLIES IN THE KOH KONG AREA, MAY HAVE LED TO THE DECISION TO USE THE CAPTURED THAI VESSELS AS A MEANS OF OBTAINING SOME TEMPORARY RELIEF TO THEIR FOOD PROBLEM. THE TERMS OF THE CAMBODIAN DEMAND WILL FORCE THE SALE OF AT LEAST 800 TONS OF RICE. (SECRET SPOKE) XGDS-2 XXHH #8044

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